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SUBJECT: GERMAN HYDRAULIC PRESSURE DRYERS TO GDR -

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1. GERMAN DEL REPLIES AS FOLLOWS TO QUESTIONS POSED IN
REF. B.

2. "THE PRODUCER OF THE FOUR PRESSES HAS GUARANTEED TO
THE CONSIGNEE A PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 300 KILOGRAMS OF
DRY NITROCELLULOSE PER HOUR AND PER PRESS. THE CON-
SIGNEE OF THE PRESSES IS NOT ALSO THE PRODUCER OF THE
NITROCELLULOSE LACQUERS WHICH ARE TO BE PRODUCED FROM
THE NITROCELLULOSE. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED
FROM THE PRODUCER THE NITROCELLULOSE LACQUERS ARE TO BE
USED IN THE WOOD-, FURNITURE-, PAPER- AND BUILDING IN-
DUSTRIES. FURTHERMORE, THEY ARE TO BE REEXPORTED TO A
LARGE EXTENT TO OTHER COMECON COUNTRIES. IT IS NOT POS-
SIBLE TO GIVE MORE PRECISE INDICATIONS CONCERNING THE
QUANTITY OF NITROCELLULOSE LACQUERS WHICH CAN BE PRO-
DUCED, SINCE THE NITROCELLULOSE IS BEING PROCESSED ONLY
BY THE PRODUCERS OF THE LACQUERS AND SINCE THE NITRO-
CELLULOSE CONTENTS OF THE LACQUERS VARIES CONSIDERABLY
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FROM ONE PRODUCER TO THE OTHER AND VARIES ACCORDING TO

WHETHER PURE NITROCELLULOSE LACQUERS OR COMBINED LACQUERS ARE PRODUCED.

3. "IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO FIND OUT WHETHER THE NITROCELLULOSE WILL ALSO BE USED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PROPELLANTS AND EXPLOSIVES. THERE IS, HOWEVER, NO INDICATION WHATSOEVER FOR SUCH ASSUMPTION.

4. "FINALLY THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES WISH TO POINT OUT THAT NITROCELLULOSE IS COVERED BY IML 8 ONLY IF THE NITROGEN CONTENTS AMOUNTS TO MORE THAN 12.2 WEIGHT PERCENT."

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